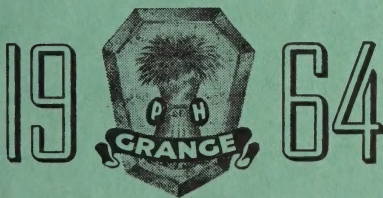




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In 1904, the grange had reached a membership of 418, with an average attendance of 70, in spite of the fact that in the first year of its life it voted to establish a new grange at West Poland.

On Jan. 17, 1914, the hall was completely destroyed by fire, but on the same day the grange met in its original place of meeting, the schoolhouse, and started to lay plans for the building of a new hall. This hall, our present grange home, was dedicated Sept. 22, 1914.

When the Town of Poland consolidated its schools in 1955, Excelsior Grange was offered for a small fee the schoolhouse on Harris Hill where the Grange was organized. The offer was accepted. It was immediately occupied by the Juvenile Grange.

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